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Sir:

The above-identified applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Office Action dated September 13, 2006, now set to expire on March 13, 2007. Form PTO-2038 is enclosed herewith authorizing the charge of \$510.00 to cover the fee for a three-month extension.

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